

REMARKS

By this amendment, claims 1, 2, 4, 9, 10, 12, 23 and 26 have been canceled; claims 3, 5-7, 11, 13-15 have been amended; and changes have been made to the specification based on the amendments made to the claims. No new matter has been added. Applicants note that the above-noted changes to the claims and specification are based on PCT Article 34 Amendments that were made in the International Application that corresponds to the present National Stage Application.

Accordingly, upon entry of this amendment, claims 3, 5-8, 11, 13-22, 24, 25 and 27-48 are all of the claims pending in the application.

In response to the Restriction Requirement of March 21, 2006, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, claims 3, 5-8, 11, 13-20 and 34-48, without traverse, for further prosecution.

In view of this election, a full examination on the merits of the present application is respectfully requested. If there are any issues that the Examiner feels may best be resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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